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Former Sergeant On Treason Charge

New York, Nov. 22.—A former U.S. Army staff sergeant pleaded innocent today to charges of 12 acts of treason involving American prisoners on Corregidor while the Japanese held the Manila Bay fortress.

Federal Judge Gregory F. Noiman refused bail for the defendant, John David Provoo, and ordered him back to jail until his trial opens on December 6.

A Federal Grand Jury indicted the 32-year-old ex-sergeant last week. Provoo is the 20th American accused of treason during World War Two. Among the charges is an allegation that he caused the execution of U.S. Army Capt. Burton C. Thompson by reporting him as "anti-Japanese and uncooperative".

TO BE EXAMINED

Provoo will be examined by Bellevue Hospital psychiatrists before the trial begins. The examination, to determine whether he is sane, was requested by the defense. The Government did not oppose the motion. But the U.S. Attorney, Mr. Irving H. Saypol, described the defendant as "mentally capable."

Provoo faces a possible death sentence if convicted. He has been under arrest since Sept. 2, when he was discharged from the Army as undesirable.

Before the war, Provoo made several trips to Japan to study Buddhism and the Japanese language.

The Government charges that when Corregidor fell in 1942, Provoo shaved his head, garbed himself as a Buddhist priest, and went over to the Japanese.

30 WITNESSES

Thirty witnesses testified before the Grand Jury, including 16 brought over from Japan. Among them was a former Japanese Army sergeant named Fujita, now serving 30 years in an army prison in Japan for war crimes. He testified that Provoo caused the execution of an American Army captain and Fujita fired the first shot.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

Japanese Settlement

THE conference of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers at Colombo, expected to take place in January or February next year, reflects the importance placed by the present British Government on co-operation, both political and economic, between members of the British Commonwealth. It is a welcome indication, too, that the swiftly-changing pattern of events in Asia and the Far East during the past few years has not gone unnoticed in Britain and the rest of the Empire. It has been suggested that the question of recognition of the Chinese Communists will be one of the items on the agenda of the conference. This is by no means certain; the belief is growing, even among resolute anti-Communists, that postponement of recognition will accomplish nothing, and it seems possible that by the time the conference convenes the Communists will be the accepted rulers of China. Far more certain of inclusion on the agenda is the question of a Japanese peace treaty. In fact the most important business at the conference will probably be the co-ordination of Commonwealth policy on a Japanese settlement, in preparation for future conversations with other interested countries, particularly the United States. Both the State Department and the Foreign Office are known to have been making independent studies of the problems involved in the writing of a treaty. These studies have probably been prompted by the fear that a too prolonged military occupation and civilian guardianship of Japan are fostering irresponsibility and discontent which can in the long run benefit only the Communists—who have already gained prestige from the military successes of their comrades in China. If a peace settlement is not to be postponed indefinitely, it seems that the countries concerned will have to go ahead without

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BEING STUDIED

London, Nov. 22.—British officials in Communist China will press through any contact available to them, for the re-

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Early Decision On Angus Ward Case Expected

QUESTIONING COMPLETED, SAYS MUKDEN RADIO

Washington, Nov. 22.—The U.S. State Department today quoted the Mukden Radio as reporting that a Chinese Communist People's Court expects to reach a final decision "in a matter of days" on the American Consul-General, Mr. Angus Ward.

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BRITON AND AMERICAN ARRESTED IN HUNGARY

Budapest, Nov. 22.—The Hungarian Ministry of the Interior announced today that Mr. Robert Vogeler, American Vice-President of the International Standard Electric Company, and Mr. Edgar Sanders, British local representative of the Company, have been arrested for espionage and have confessed their guilt.

The Ministry announced that other arrests included Mr. Irene Geiger, general manager of the Hungarian Standard Electric Corporation, an American subsidiary. He was detained while trying to cross the frontier illegally.

The communiqué said that Mr. Gelger had confessed to widespread espionage and sabotage.

On the basis of his confession and other evidence, the Hungarian police arrested Mr. Vogeler and Mr. Sanders, who is Russian-born. Both gave detailed confessions of their espionage and sabotage activities, the communiqué added.—Reuters.

MR SNYDER IN HONGKONG

Mr. John W. Snyder, U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, arrived in Hongkong by plane this morning. Mr. Snyder came from Manila, and will return there this afternoon by the same plane.

He has been on a tour of U.S. overseas Coast Guard stations.

Accompanying Mr. Snyder to Hongkong were Mr. Myron Cowen, U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines, Mr. E. H. Gruening, Governor of Alaska, and Admirals Olds and O'Neill.

Mr. Snyder's visit is an unofficial one. He will pay a courtesy call on H.E. the Governor this afternoon.

STOP PRESS

KWEILIN SAID IN RED HANDS

Chungking, Nov. 22.—Reports said tonight that Kweilin, evacuated capital of Kwangsi province, was captured early today by the Communists. These reports said that General Bai Chung-hai Nationalist Commander in Southern China, had hurried back yesterday from Chungking to Kweilin to take stock of the menacing situation.—United Press.

BRITAIN'S ONLY MATADOR



VINCENT HITCHCOCK—"El Ingles" to the Spaniards—who is Britain's only matador, is on holiday with his family. Dressed in the finery of the bull ring, he is shown with his parents and sister Patricia at their home in Southend.

Young Boy Survives Norway Air Crash

Oslo, Nov. 22.—It was confirmed late this afternoon that there was only one survivor among the passengers of the ill-fated Dutch Dakota plane which crashed into a hillside in southern Norway. The Dakota was found today after being missing since Sunday.

RECOGNITION FOR BAO DAI GOVERNMENT

Paris, Nov. 22.—A French Government spokesman said today that the United States and Britain will recognise the Vietnam regime of former Emperor Bao Dai in Indo-China.

The spokesman pointed out they cannot do so until the French treaty creating Bao Dai's regime is put into effect.

These statements were made by Information Minister M. Pierre Henri Teitgen after a Cabinet session approved treaties with the Bao Dai regime and with Laos and Cambodia in Indo-China.

The accords must be submitted to the French Parliament for ratification. France has promised Bao Dai they would be ratified before the end of the year, if possible.

Under the treaties, Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia would become semi-independent within the French Federal Union.

Bao Dai is described as a French puppet by Nationalist leader Ho Chi-minh, who has been fighting the French in Indo-China since the end of the Second World War.

M. Teitgen said several countries, especially the U.S. and Britain, have indicated they want to recognise Bao Dai as soon as possible. M. Teitgen did not name the other nations.—Associated Press.

Valerius Here

The Dutch Government vessel Valerius, on her way to the Royal Intercal, which ran aground near Pratas Island recently arrived in Hongkong this morning.

Allai, kept alive through the bitter winter nights by heat from the ashes of the burned wreckage, was brought round by steps on the face from his rescuers. Quickly reviving, he danced a jig and threw his arms round the nearest person. Bobbing excitedly in French, he gulped down chocolate and fruit juice.

The two rescuers, wading knee-deep through boggy land to reach the Dakota, themselves had a narrow escape just before reaching the scene of tragedy. A huge rock broke loose from the hillsides and hurtled down, just missing them.

Martineen said that the tall Allai was the only part of the plane not burnt out.

"The Dakota had hit the hillside nose first and the whole

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Philippine Troops Battle Dissidents

Manila, Nov. 23.—Philippine Government troops, using artillery and small weapons, fought a bloody battle today with a band of terrorists barricaded in the mountains of Batangas Province, south of Manila.

First reports said 12 Philippine Constabulary men were killed.

The constabulary brought up reinforcements to crush a small dissident army, estimated at 600, which attacked Constabulary headquarters and raided armoured in Batangas City last Saturday. Two terrorists were killed and four were captured in the initial clash.

Then Government troops moved into hills just south of the provincial capital and made contact with the rebel band on Monday night. In the battle that ensued on Mount Talim, the Constabulary tried to soften up the dissidents by artillery fire. The Constabulary, it was reported, had suffered heavy casualties when foot soldiers moved in later to attack well-entrenched positions on the mountain.

MANILA ALERT

The dissidents' casualties could not be determined at once. Seventy-four of about 100 terrorists who took part in Saturday's attack were charged with conspiracy to commit sedition and with kidnapping police and Constabulary men and illegal possession of arms, in a complaint filed in Batangas City Court.

The Constabulary also engaged more dissidents in battle on Jolo Island, in the Southern Philippines. Two Constabulary men and a guide and three Moros were reported killed.

The Manila police were on the alert for possible outbreaks of violence in Manila. Armoured in the capital are being closely guarded.

Government officials are still unable to establish definitely whether the Batangas terrorists are Communist-led Hukbalahap peasant outlaws or political dissidents. Batangas Province was one of the hot spots of national elections two weeks ago.—United Press.

NOT ALLOWED TO LAND

Four hundred Chinese passengers on the Jardine ship, Wingsang, who were refused permission to land in Macao, were likewise not allowed to land here when the vessel arrived last night.

The passengers boarded the ship at Keelung. They will return there by the same ship later today.



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1950 Version Of Sportswear

Sleeveless—1950 version of the sunbuck sportswear dress is sleeveless. More sunbacks are street types with wider straps. V-shaped backs are now as are opened arms at the back. Add the halter neckline to that group and there are several good designs for new low-neck brassieres. This is especially important in strapless types because even though the sunbuck dress is a bit more covered up, the strapless bra is still the logical choice of well-groomed women.

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WOMAN'SENSE

Two-tone Plush Cloche



By ALICE ALDEN

IT'S A POOR hat this season that doesn't owe much of its charm and smartness to surface interest. American designer, Beatrice Charles uses two tones of downy soft hatter's plush for a smart twin-brimmed cloche made with the new higher crown, a good choice for almost all but very dreary daytime things. The moss green plush is spiraled with pale gold, a colour scheme that is new and fresh.

There Is A Body Language

By PATRICIA CLARY

HOLLYWOOD If other people are not getting your message, a dance director advises, you should try "body language."

That's talking through movement, and sometimes, Gene Loring says, it conveys a lot more than your words.

"Body language, as I define it," Loring said, "is the projection of personality appeal through motion. It makes all the difference between awkwardness and grace, between being socially successful and a dud."

The part Joan Caulfield plays in Columbin's musical, "The Petty Girl," illustrates what a few lessons in body language can do.

"She is supposed to be a wall-flower at the beginning," Loring explained. "She's good-looking, but she hides her personality under a dowdy carriage and slumped motions."

Then Joan starts to talk body language. She learns poise, control of her movements and rhythmic assurance. By the end of the picture, she's as glamorous as Rita Hayworth.

Clamour Hidden

"Her glamour has been there all the time, but it's been hidden by poor personality projection," Loring said.

Even girls who are plain and don't have Miss Caulfield's well-upholstered chassis can talk effectively in body language.

You can achieve the illusion of beauty with beautiful body motions," Loring said. "All glamour means is the way you impress others. If you move as if you were beautiful, people will believe you. That's using body language."

This works just as well for men.

"Men can use body language as successfully as women," Loring said.

"You don't have to look like Glenn Ford or Bob Cummings to be a successful wolf. Even if a man's profile isn't perfect, his carriage, poise and confidence can tell women he's a Don Juan through the rhythmic words of body language."

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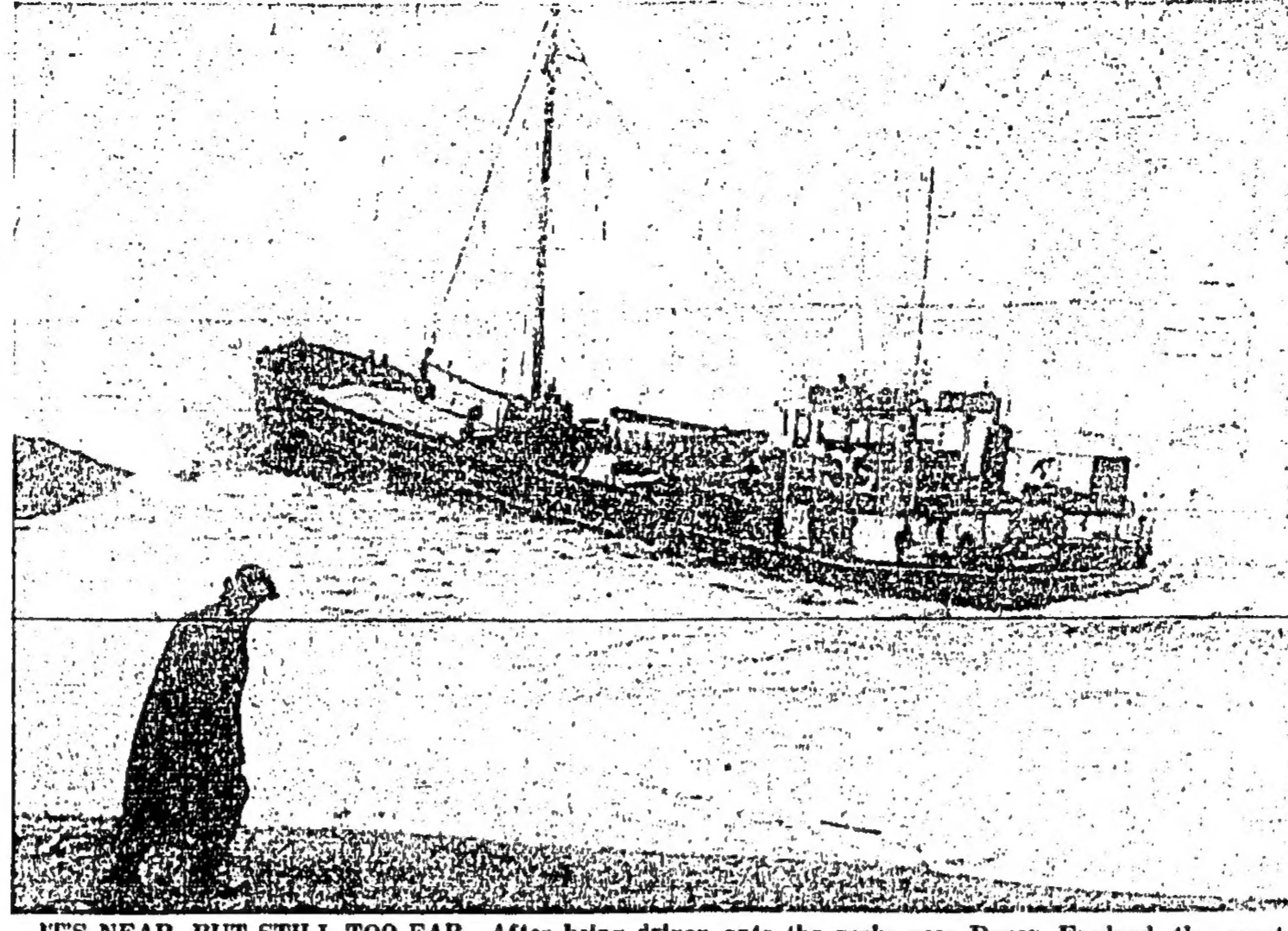
LIFE-TIME OFFER — When his wife Sophie was seized for trying to thrust a note into President Truman's hands, Vassilios Petrus, a Greek alien, shown at work in Jersey City, New Jersey, restaurant, offered to wash dishes in the White House for the rest of his life if he could have her back. Sophie, it seems, was just asking Presidential aid to prevent her husband from being deported.



HELLO, AMERICA! — Beautiful young French film star Cecile Aubry waves to New York as she arrives at LaGuardia Field. Cecile made a film in Europe with Tyrone Power.



DRUMMING UP TRADE — Maurice Chevalier, left, actor, singer, and now writer, sells his autobiography to fellow actor Erich Von Stroheim and his wife in Paris, France. French stars acted as one-day booksellers during the annual book sale of the National Committee of Writers.



IT'S NEAR, BUT STILL TOO FAR — After being driven onto the rocks near Dover, England, the coastal collier Arch Glen is whipped by heavy waves. Although it was close to land, three members of the crew had to be brought ashore in a lifeboat. Heavy gales hit the British coast and caused considerable havoc to shipping.



IT GOT A BIT WET — These boys are wading through the flooded streets of Hastings, England, after a torrential rain and an abnormally high tide reached the resort town simultaneously. At one point the waters reached a depth of three feet, and the residents found it rather inconvenient to go out-of-doors and conduct business as usual.



SHE'S THE SWEETEST — Joyce Kelly, 22, has been chosen "Sweetest Nurse of the Year" in Chicago, Illinois, by a committee headed by Mayor Kennelly. Miss Kelly, a senior student nurse, will aid in the distribution of gift parcels to orphans in the Chicago area.



COLLEGE FAMILY — Audry Kohl, 17, and her father, Earl, 43, study their school lessons at their home in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Daughter is a freshman and father a sophomore at Wilkes College where both are taking full-time courses and working for degrees. Kohl also works as a watchman from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.



WAS HE SURPRISED? — When John Gajda, of Detroit, Michigan, took his young son, John, Jr., and their dog, Chip, for a walk, he had no idea the photo he made of them would win second place in a dog photo contest. This is the picture that won him an award.



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to Lisbon to see the Caudillo arrive was Don Juan, Spain's rightful king.

"Franco has long teased Juan with promises. He has even taken Juan's young heir to Madrid to be educated as a true Spanish prince."

Don Juan watched the Spanish fleet sail in. He was willing to meet privately the man who has kept his throne warm for so long, so long. But Franco abruptly said he did not want to see Juan.

THE FUTURE

In Madrid, on my way home, they gave me in charge a handful of shining coins carrying the legend: "Francisco Franco Caudillo of Spain by the Grace of God."

In almost all respects the Generalissimo already enjoys the royal prerogative with much more than the royal power.

THE FACADE

FRANCO, single-handed, is gaining ground in his race to win American support before the regime collapses. Behind the paper-thin economic facade of Spain, they start to move out, then halt opposite a cluster of red and yellow flags, wavering, spurring them to frenzy. (Out.)

Franco winds down the amber bullet-proof window, plucks Carmona by the sleeve, and bursts into animated, if one-sided, conversation. Cameramen rush forward, led by a Swedish blonde, and shoot for a full five minutes before the car goes on.

Sound and vision make a triumphant tie-up: the effect and not the substance is the thing.

THE REASON

PORTUGAL'S shrewd Premier Salazar had long known that Franco was crazy to come to Lisbon. He knew also that he could not defer the call much longer.

That was the situation at the time Cripps devalued, and on September 21 Salazar, telling no one, followed suit.

Consternation in Madrid. The Spaniards had apparently relied on the Iberian pact, which calls for consultation between the two neighbours, for warning of such a move. It took ten days to restore financial order.

Spanish losses run to millions, Franco, boiling with fury, suddenly found the long-awaited invitation Lisbon on his desk. He could not both quarrel with Salazar and accept it.

But Franco was made to swallow a further humiliation. The Sunday before he reached Lisbon the basis of friendship was due to be laid on the football field. Madrid Atlético arrived to play the Sporting Club of Portugal.

At the airport the Portuguese police picked out Madrid's £20,000 inside right Ben Bark. They refused to let him land on political grounds.

Outraged, the Spanish team prepared to get back into their plane. Then came a curt message from Franco.

Dr. Tromp

THE CHAPMAN PINCHER COLUMN

was a cynic until

A SCIENTIST who set out to expose water-divining—locating underground streams by means of a forked twig—as mumbo-jumbo, has ended after ten years' study convinced that it works.

In a 634-page research report, just published* he claims:—

1 The existence of a human sensitivity to underground water can be demonstrated by experiments.

2 Most people have this sensitivity developed to some degree.

3 It can be explained scientifically without invoking "second sight."

The scientist—PROFESSOR S. W. TROMP, a Dutch geologist—has carried out experiments which would prove his claims if confirmed by other workers.

First, a professional diviner, blindfolded and with his ears plugged with cotton wool, was led near an electric apparatus while holding a twig in the divining position (see sketch).

Tests with other diviners, using bent wires instead of twigs, showed that they could also detect minute changes in the strength of the magnetism round them. The professor claims similar results when minute electric currents were applied to diviner's skin.

Charts, made by a portable heart-beat recorder, of a diviner's reactions when passing over underground water, showed that the human body unconsciously detects some sensation whether a "magic" rod is carried or not.

The professor suggests that some physical force related to the presence of underground water influences the body



through the skin. This affects the nervous system which in turn makes the muscles twitch.

The rod serves to magnify this movement, and puts the forearm muscles under tension.

Tromp tries the skin as the likeliest detector, because a diviner's sensitivity seems to depend on the electrical resistance of his skin. Any diviner can increase his sensitivity by rinsing his hands in salt water or weak sulphuric acid.

Diviners did better when their skin was well insulated from the soil by thick-soled boots. They put up a poor show, barefooted.

To suggest that the most successful diviners are just those people with the clammiest hands seems far-fetched. But I have kept a completely open mind on divining ever since War Office tests proved that dogs can detect hidden land-mines by some mysterious means which does not involve sight, sound, or smell.

I found this statement, which has so far escaped public notice, in the dull-looking 2,000-page report of the Congress hearings.

The leakage has annoyed the M.I.5 men, I find. But I can see some good coming out of it.

The excuse that the Americans picked our atomic brains for their bomb research, then denied us the results, has too long served to hide the reasons for the Government's slow progress.

an official U.S. report has settled it with a definite Yes.

DR ROBERT BACHERER of Los Alamos, the New Mexico atom station where all the bomb research and manufacture was done during the war, has told a Congress committee:—

"British scientists had general access to all the information developed at Los Alamos. So they had a thorough and complete knowledge of all the bomb work. They have all the know-how needed to make atomic weapons."

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Move Along, Please

EVEN the most expert London birds do not like fellow-creatures to come too close, reports watcher PETER CONDOL.

A Thames Embankment gull resents any trespass into the territory extending for one gull's body-length all round it. The elegant tufted ducks of St James's Park are even snobbier. Their come-no-nearer distance is more than two body-lengths.

Least particular are the starlings which roost in twittering thousands in Trafalgar Square. A breast-width is all they ask.

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NANCY Genius Head



By Ernie Bushmiller



Much Too Easy!

IRELAND'S TEAM WAS THE WEAKEST INTERNATIONAL SIDE SINCE THE WAR

BY ARCHIE QUICK

England swamped Ireland by nine goals to two in the Soccer International at Maine Road, Manchester, but if this leads to overconfidence, we may see England lose the all-important "decider" at Hampden next April. First of all, Ireland fielded the weakest international side of any of the home countries since the war and England were given no real test.

There can never have been a worse full back display than that of McMichael's which gave Tom Finney so much latitude and the other full back, Feeney, was almost bad. The halfbacks were overrun and the forwards never got any sort of a service.

One could also detect faults in the England side, which may sound captious criticism of a side that won by a seven goal margin, but it is better to judge these things carefully. The successes were Finney, Mortensen, Rowley, Frogatt, Watson and Franklin in that order.

What of the other five? Well, Rowley ought certainly to be given the central forward for his direct play, and Watson too looks like a fixture. Fulham's Mosley and Aston were rather slow, when Ireland made frequent attacks.

Billy Wright gave by no means his best display in a national eleven, and Pearson was not completely happy at inside-left.

For the match against Italy at Tottenham, I expect Bert Williams to come back in goal if fit, and the rest of the team remain intact. It is bad luck on Milburn and Dickenson, but Rowley and Watson cannot be displaced. Bad luck on Stretton, too, that he was not given more work to prove himself.

BEST SINCE THE WAR
Nevertheless England's team had the best attack since the war. Finney must never be moved back to outside-left, that looks the end of Stanley Matthews' career and a like remark can be applied to Tom Lawton.

Mortensen and Finney struck up a wonderful understanding and the big hearted Frogatt looks to be the Selectors' prayer answered at outside-left.

Headaches In Store For Football Managers

London, Nov. 22.—There may be more headaches in store for football club managers if the Players' Union carries out its intention of becoming a "closed shop."

When a manager wanted to make a team change or go into the transfer market for a new player, he would first have to satisfy himself that the individual concerned was a member of the Union.

UNUSUAL SITUATIONS
Should a decision be taken to form a closed shop, all manner of unusual situations could arise. One of the most important would be the attitude of members towards non-union members. Presumably union men would refuse to play alongside anybody not in the union. Would they also refuse to play against teams composed of non-union footballers?

A problem facing managers might be the selection of their teams. Even though their sides normally consist entirely of union members, managers would have to make sure that some else they wanted to bring into the team was a union member.

FIRST QUESTION
Consider the scene in the managerial office when the news comes through that an unattached player is unfit. The suggested deputy is sent for. First question asked him is not whether he feels capable of fitting into the playing part required, but "Are you in the union?"

The union has already 2,800 strong, including most of the leading players, is urging the remaining 200 or so players to become members by January when it hopes to negotiate with new players' agreement with the clubs.—Reuter.

One Change In Team To Meet Italy

London, Nov. 22.—England's team to play Italy in an Association Football International on Tottenham Hotspur's ground on November 30 shows one change from the side which defeated Ireland by 9-2 last week.

RUGBY UNION

England Sends Out A Scout

Sir Wavell Wakefield, MP, Vice-President of the English Rugby Union and the former England Rugby captain, and Cambridge Blue, Wright (Wolves), captain; Finney (Preston NE), Mortensen (Blackpool), Rowley (Manchester United), Pearson (Manchester United), Frogatt (Portsmouth).

Three reserves have been chosen because substitutes are allowed up to half time and in the case of a goalkeeper at any time in the match. They are Stretton (Luton), Ramsey (Tottenham Hotspur) and Milburn (Newcastle).—Reuter.

PEA FOR CURRENT

Rome, Nov. 22.—Sports fans pleaded with the Italian government today to relax electricity restrictions so that they can hear the broadcast of the England-Italy soccer match on Nov. 30 in London.

The plea was made by the Rome newspaper, 11 Messaggero. The newspaper pointed out that under present restrictions part of Rome will be without electric power on that day, preventing thousands of fans from listening to the broadcast.—Associated Press.

Mister Conquest



WELL PREPARED



'Wren' Third Officer Tatian Brown of HMS Excellent may never be challenged to a duel, but in such an improbable emergency would be quite prepared for one.

She was in all service rifle and revolver events at the last Army Rifle Association annual meeting at Bisley and she was, to round that off, second in last year's Wren's Fencing Championships.

NOW TO HIT A SAFE SIX!

Sloggers' Insurance Is Booming Today

Cricket clubs with hefty batsmen who hit sixes out of grounds into gardens are looking today into their insurance. No wonder, after the Court of Appeal decision awarding £104 damages, plus costs, to a Manchester woman struck by a ball as she stood at her garden gate.

Mr H. A. E. Scheele, secretary of the Club Cricket Conference, tells me that many clubs are already insured.

"Any club or any individual player can obtain cover against that risk at negligible cost," Mr G. R. E. Gilby, a City insurance broker, tells me. The companies will include it in their third-party cover."

It costs clubs (irrespective of the number of teams) 30s. now to insure annually against various risks, such as injuries by runaway rollers and in pavilion trees, and poisoning opponents or spectators at lunch or tea.

"Anticipating that many more clubs will now join," Messrs H. A. Sheppard and Co., of Tunbridge Wells, tell me, "we do not for a moment propose any alteration in the rates, although in view of the present decision it is apparent that the liability is considerably increased."

Apart from this, all the players are now on maximum wages, which they definitely were not last season, believe it or not, and the clubs have a new secretary and a new manager. The arrival of Arthur Rowe, former Spur from Chelmsford City, is the real reason for the improvement. By his tactful approach to the players and his knowledge of the game he can one day star into the Herbert Chapman class. To sum up, the Spars are happy for the first time since World War II.

Oxford and Cambridge University sides were at the Surbiton party; Oxford (who had beaten Richmond in the afternoon), went on to the dinner, scratch side 2-2 with a goal scored just in time.

Each club "celebrated" in the evening. From the Surbiton cocktail party to the Richmond dinner there went a slice or two of birthday cake.

Editor of the Playfair Rugby Annual, O. L. Owen, has co-operated in producing its Welsh counterpart with J.B.G. Thomas. One article is written by Wilfrid Wooller. Another is by Englishman D. R. Gent, all quite significant.

ALL-ROUNDER
Australian heavyweight Alf Gallagher, who was to have fought Earl Walls at Manchester this month, has entered hospital with synovitis of the right knee.

Gallagher tells me the knee first troubled him when he was playing lock forward in thirteen-a-side rugby in Australia. It recurred when he was helping Jack Gardner to train at Brighton for his fight with Stefan Olek.

A professional at boxing and football, the quiet-spoken Gallagher also swims, sails and runs in top class company in his own country.

VETERANS
Here is another soccer veteran. I hear from W. Packington, secretary of the Corinthian-Casuals, that Percy Sargent, a member of the Stock Exchange, now 71, played regularly for that club until 57.

Any advance on this? Yes, Fred Baker, according to a Hackney correspondent, S. H. Griffiths, has turned out at left-half for Bush Sports, Ash Grove, Hackney, this season at 63.

Soon we shall have footballers drawing the old age pension.

UNEXPECTED
International skating champion at Richmond for women who had never won World European or Olympic amateur championships, produced two rather unexpected results.

First was that Briton Miss Janet Altweig and Miss Barbara Wynter came first and second.

Secondly, all 15 competitors had been coached by one of the two Gerschweilers, Jacques or Arno.

FOR THE WELSH
First Rugby Football Annual devoted solely to Welsh rugby

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Six-day Bike Races Don't Catch On In The States

BY CORNELIUS RYAN

It can definitely be said now that competitive bicycling in the United States will never be more than a very minor sport.

The state of the six-day races in America is simply expressed in the answer of promoter Harry Sperber when I asked him about the attendance at the opening race of the 1949-50 season in New York.

"A fine crowd on opening night," Sperber said. "But Monday night was Halloween and Tuesday night was Milton Berle. I think we may have a good crowd tonight. (Wednesday.)"

Thus it was admitted that the bikers cannot compete with a major holiday or television comedian. As far as the customers are concerned, almost anything is preferable to the six-day race.

A dispassionate observer would agree with Sperber that bike-racing is fast, exciting, and rough during the sprints, and that some Americans like it. But the sober figures of attendance show that fewer spectators are paying their way in this year than last year, and that the totals are thousands below the high of the 1920s.

They seem determined to stay that way.—United Press.

THE TURPINS POSE A PROBLEM FOR THE BBBC

London, Nov. 22.—A British Boxing Board of Control rule that only British Champions can fight for world titles may have to be altered.

This follows the change of mind of the Turpin brothers, Dick and Randolph, who have once more stressed that they will not meet each other apart from gymnasium work.

Quite recently they were inclined to the view that a world challenge by Randolph meant that he would first have to win the British title from his brother, Dick, then things should take their course and the brothers should fight it out in the ring.

PUBLIC OPINION

Since then, however, there has been much talk, and no little ink used in print, stating that such a fight would not be popular with the general public.

George Middlemiss, who manages the brothers, had decided that public opinion had decided in their favor, that the mother of the two boys was against such a fight and that he himself did not like the idea very much.

On their showing in recent fights the brothers are definitely in the top class of middleweights and Randolph's punching powers suggest that he is a very bright prospect for the title held by America's Jake LaMotta.

He is, of course, barred from this so long as the Control Board's rule is in force.

RETIRE?

Dick Turpin could retire, so leaving the way clear for other men to fight for the vacant middleweight title. Or he could lose to another boxer who, in turn, could succumb to Randolph.

All this would, of course, delay matters in connection with any plans for a world fight and so there is general hope that the Control Board's rule will be relaxed, so allowing Randolph to go above the British title and challenge LaMotta for the highest of honours at the weight.

GAVILAN WINS

Montreal, Nov. 22.—Kid Gavilan (Cuba), contender for the world welterweight title, gained a unanimous 10 rounds decision over Laurent Dauthuille, French middleweight, here last night.

Gavilan was awarded six rounds Dauthuille three, with one even.

This was the Frenchman's first defeat in North America.—Reuter.

NUTTALL BEATEN

London, Nov. 22.—Johnny Nuttall, an Olympic boxer, was beaten for the first time since turning professional at the West Ham Baths tonight, the referee stopping his fight with Ron Dobbinson of West Ham, in the fifth round of a scheduled eight-round contest because of Nuttall's badly damaged eye.

The decision was unfortunate for Nuttall as he appeared to be slightly ahead on points.

NOT CLOWNING



Frank "Lefty" O'Doul, manager of the San Francisco Seals, is not clowning to get the umpire to call the game in the above picture.

"Lefty" donned Japanese rain gear to take his regular coaching position at third base in Nagoya, Japan, where the Seals met a Japanese All-Star aggregation.

Rain failed to dampen the enthusiasm of the Japanese baseball fans as some 140,000 turned out for the two games.—AP Picture.

His eye began to swell in the third round and by the fifth round it was almost completely closed.

FORCED THE PACE

Nuttall forced the pace from the first bell but much of his work was offset by clever covering-up tactics on the part of his opponent, Dobbinson, however, counter-punched crisply and in the fourth round he shook Nuttall with a hard right to the jaw but failed to follow up quickly.

At the weight-in Nuttall sealed 11 stone one and three-quarter pounds and Dobbinson 11 stone.—Reuter.



Dick Turpin

Billiards Match

A friendly inter-club competition was played at King's Building on Monday between Sports Club and the Chinese Recreation Club.

The CRC won 740-583. Scores with Sports Club players first:

L. Ko beat D. R. To, 150-140; W. Williamson lost to H. S. Chang, 94-150; D. R. Wong lost to W. Woo, 144-150; F. C. R. Wiggins lost to Lee Wah-tong, 112-150; S. S. Fong lost to O. L. Pang, 83-150.

Tourists Held To A Draw At Rawalpindi

Rawalpindi, Nov. 20.—The two-day match between the Commonwealth touring cricket team and the Commander-in-Chief's XI ended in a draw here today. The Commonwealth team, 80 runs behind on the first innings, improved in their second knock today and were all out for 251.

When stumps were drawn the Commander-in-Chief's side had scored 13 for the loss of three wickets.

RETURN TO FORM

The Commonwealth cricketers made a welcome return to batting form on the second day of their tour. Some bright cricket was witnessed when the touring team hit up 251 in their second knock.

Wally Langdon, the veteran Australian left-hander, was the top scorer. He scored 50, which included six fours, in two hours.

Jack Holt, with 42; Bill Alley, 43; and George Pope, with 31, were also outstanding. Holt and Alley scored at a rapid rate, Pope finding his runs in 33 minutes, while Alley took 40 minutes and hit two magnificent sixes.

The final scores were: Commonwealth team, 81 and 251; Commander-in-Chief's XI, 101 and 13 for three wickets.—Reuter.

Inter-Hong Cricket

The following team will represent Jardines in the game against B. & B. on Sunday, November 27, at 11.15 a.m. at the Hongkong Cricket Club grounds: H. L. Hart, captain; H. G. Hart, vice-captain; G. L. G. Blott; N. D. Bokier; J. B. Haworth; I. M. Hutchison; G. M. Mills; A. L. Rickards; J. V. Bishop; G. Tremlett; W. Hall; and M. Vaid.

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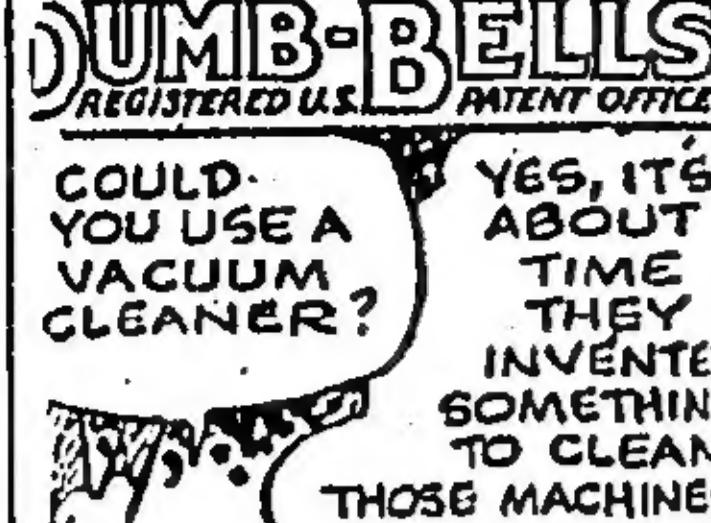
McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Here Is A Lesson On How Not To Bid

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

I KNOW that many of you have read some of the hands I have written up about John Well of New York City. He has a dry sense of humour. When he gave me today's hand, he said, "There should be a low against getting into this kind of a contract, and then making it." He also said, "When you publish this hand, tell your readers that it is a lesson on how a hand should not be bid." However, Well proved that even though you get into an impossible contract, you should not give up.

He won the opening lead of the king of clubs with the ace, cashed the ace of hearts and ruffed the six of hearts in dum-



MIDWEEK BOOK PARADE ARE INNOCENT PEOPLE EVER HANGED?

VERDICT IN DISPUTE
By Edgar Lustgarten (Wingate, 9/0)

ARE innocent people ever hanged for murder? That is the question which Edgar Lustgarten sets out to answer in this fascinating book. He takes six famous murder trials—those of Mrs. Maybrick, Stevie Morrison, Norman Thorne, Edith Thompson, Lizzie Borden, and Herbert Wallace—and in each case examines the evidence again after refreshing the reader's memory on the circumstances that led up to the crime.

Edgar Lustgarten is the author of a best-seller called "A Case To Answer," and it is with the same building up of interest and the gradually increasing speed of narrative that he found in the good mystery novel that he reconstructs. These murder cases that, in their time, have commanded the avid attention of whole nations.

The reader sees how defending counsel reveals every little inconsistency in a strong case for the Crown. How he leads

the jury forward into the frame of mind more favourable to the accused, by the art of cross-examination, of knowing which questions must not be asked and which will bring an answer that will benefit his client.

But the author does not attempt to prove that the details were mistaken. He has laid out the facts, for and against the accused, so that the reader may make his own decisions. Were they guilty or innocent? These people who were tried for their lives? And the other question is: if they did commit the crimes they were charged with, was their guilt proved beyond "reasonable doubt?"

THE DIPLOMAT
By James Aldridge (The Bodley Head, 12/6)

Throughout the war, James Aldridge was a newspaper correspondent. He covered the war in Finland in 1939, then went to Norway, Greece, Crete, the Middle East, and later to Soviet Russia where he described the great Soviet offensives that led to VE day. This novel grew out of material he gathered from his warlike experiences.

The two leading characters, Lord Essex and his chosen subordinate McGregor, meet on their way to Moscow. All Essex has to work on is a bare instruction to get the Russians out of Azerbaijan and restore the Tchernov Government's authority. He is a diplomat with a good military record. McGregor is a scientist. Their methods and opinions conflict, and a great story has been constructed out of their great relationship with each other and with the diplomats of the Soviet Union, including "Comrade Stalin." The mission proves to be a challenge to their experience and patience.

Many of the East-West problems of postwar Europe are brought into the picture, and the central theme is the struggle for Iranian influence. The scene moves between Moscow, Iran and London where the men and women of the Embassy plot, plan, and decide the political moves which make the world's headlines. A dramatic scene in the House of Commons with a debate between the champions of America and those of Russia winds up this momentous novel.

Marginal note

IT is being written of a Chinese film star that she has refused to kiss or be kissed on the screen. If she has a similar objection to being kicked in the face and having her milk taken out in the cause of art, it will be difficult to find a part for her since those are the only film attractions popular at the moment.

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BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Jack Tar Gull Knew a Lot —He Told Knarf All About Lighthouses

By MAX TRELL



The Gull told Knarf about the lighthouses.

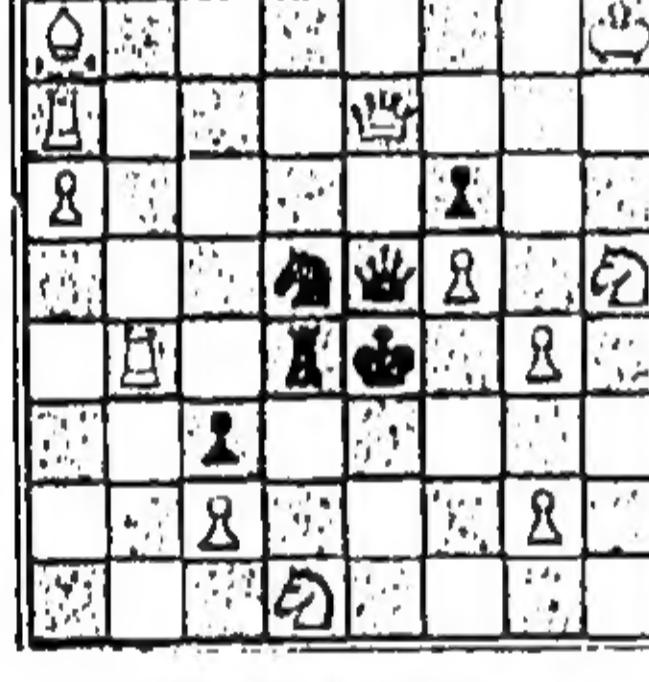
my with the four of diamonds. He led the deuce of spades from dummy and flushed the jack, then cashed the king of hearts, discarding a spade from dummy. He played the ace of spades and ruffed the five of spades at dummy with the five of diamonds. The eight of diamonds was played and the queen flossed.

When this held the trick, Well cashed the ace of diamonds, then led a small diamond and East and West both followed. Now regardless of what East returned, John had the balance of the tricks.

CHESS PROBLEM

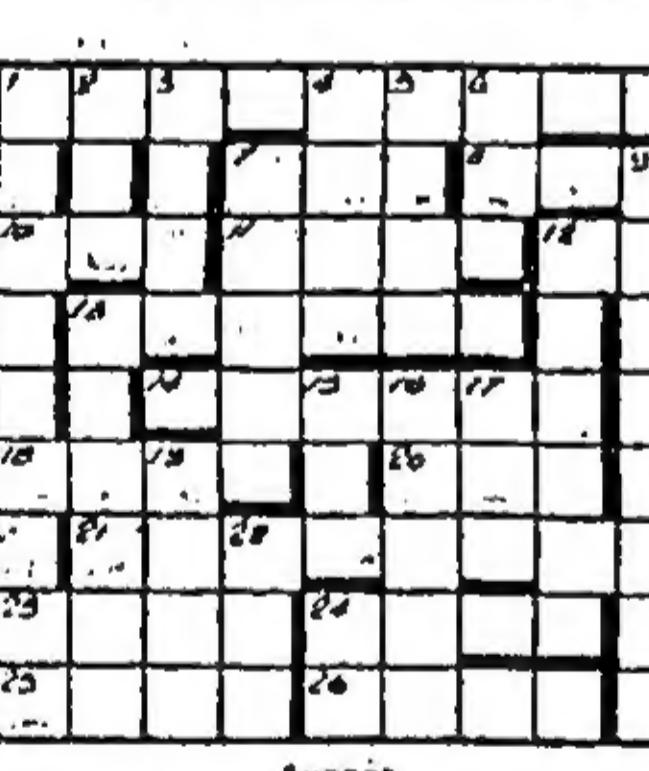
By D. WEISS

Black, 6 pieces



White, 12 pieces
White to play and mate in two
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. P-K5. 1... P-B3, K1-B3.
2. K1-K7 (d1 ch); 1... K1-K3; 2. K1-B6 (d1 ch), 1... P-B4; 2. BxKt; 1... RvKt (ch).
2. BxR (ch); 1... others; 2. Q-QR3 (ch).

CROSSWORD



Across
1. 7, 10, 11, 12, 14. In two minds—
Kitchen, 3, 4, 2, 6)
8. The first glimpse of a York—
See 1. Across, 11. See 1. Across.
13. The dealer has done some
perfume, part of Sam's bro-
arm. (4)
21. Animal follower of the buck. A
bit stiff, ch? (3)
21. Mikado character. (6)
22. King for the others. (4)
24. To employ a person. (4)
25. So it would appear from name.
26. A nuisance before I lent (4)
Down
1. Without a dissentient. (9)
2. After a little company she is
learning to decipher. (6)
4. Very often they were, said
Jack. "And all because they
couldn't see these cliffs. And
then the people who lived near
the cliffs were very sad. For
sometimes their own brothers
and fathers were the sailors on
the ships that were wrecked.
Grandfather told me that then
the people who lived near the
cliffs knew that they would have
to think of some way to let the
sailors on the ships be warned
about the cliffs, even on the
darkest nights. They hadn't
thought about the lighthouse
yet. They thought of another
way."

Rupert and a Mare's Nest—8



When the two friends return to the common a bird flies between them: "We've been following and listening to you," squawks the little creature, "and now I'm warning you to give up this search of yours. It's dangerous." At the bird flutters away. Alex looks dumb. "This does not seem very good," says. "The bird don't want us to go on and the grown-ups only laugh at us. I believe Willie was right and there is no such thing as a Mare's Nest. I'm going home, leaving the little bear he runs off and disappears.

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BRONCHO BILL



A Short Respite



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE tale of a man who battled with a fish for 23 hours and finally lost it reminded me of the only time I ever fished.

It was in a small boat off the Cornish coast. I had assumed that whatever I caught would be moribund by the time I landed it. But when I had unhooked my small catch it rose at me like a madman eagle threshing the air with its great wings. I reflected, but it flopped after me, hideous in its wrath, while the old man with the oars shrieked with laughter. I aimed a blow at its jaw, but it side-stepped and I fell crash on my face. Humiliated and in pain, I rose and caught the beast by the tail and flung it into the sea. The old sailor was purple with mirth, and I have never fished since.

The Dark Horse (IV)

THE day when young Copstock, at the age of 27, was put in charge of the cod-finishing statistics, William Chatfield felt that Daphne Poppleford was silently reproaching him. Finally she said, "Billy, haven't you ambition?" "Plenty," said William sulkily. "But it's not easy to do much in the freighting section. Just slogging work." He realised that he had no "flash," no touch of genius. He was one like a million others. Then he remembered the S.O.W. Society. Suppose he joined it? Ruefully he had to admit to himself that such a step would not be likely to advance either his career or his love for Daphne. It might only get him the sack. Daphne's voice broke in on his thoughts. "Billy," she said, "you ought to wake up before it's too late. Come out of your shell, Billy! Make the boss notice you! Don't be beaten by the younger fellows!" Thus did she pour her subtle poison into William's too receptive (and too large) ear.

In particular, he was asked whether any such arrangement had been made for Indian manganese.

Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, replied that it was the established practice of the sterling area that members retained such dollar earnings as they needed to meet current working requirements and sell any surpluses to the Bank of England.

No special arrangements applied to the sales of Indian manganese. Reuter.

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

British Car Show For New York

London, Nov. 22.—The Society of British Motor Manufacturers and Traders has made a grant of £20,000 to finance a British motor show in New York from April 16 to April 23 next year. It was announced today.

The exhibition, which will cover 40,000 square feet of the Grand Central Palace, Lexington Avenue, will include British motor vehicles, motor cycles, diesel engines, accessories and transport equipment.

The statement was made in reference to the statements made in Paris by seven United States senators of the Armed Services Sub-committee that Spain should have an Export-Import Bank loan.

The official said the Spanish Government was free to go to the bank, but until it submitted an official application for a loan, nothing could be done.

Informed quarters pointed out that the Spanish Government must supply economic and financial information to the bank when making its request—as all applicant nations must do—so that the bank can determine if it can make the loan.—United Press.

No Request For Loan By Spain

Washington, Nov. 22.—A State Department official said today that the Spanish government had not submitted an official request for a loan to the Export-Import Bank.

The statement was made in reference to the statements made in Paris by seven United States senators of the Armed Services Sub-committee that Spain should have an Export-Import Bank loan.

The official said the Spanish Government was free to go to the bank, but until it submitted an official application for a loan, nothing could be done.

Informed quarters pointed out that the Spanish Government must supply economic and financial information to the bank when making its request—as all applicant nations must do—so that the bank can determine if it can make the loan.—United Press.

NY COTTON FUTURES

New York, Nov. 22.—Cotton futures today opened steady and closed firm, although overall activity remained quiet.

The upward reversal movement started late yesterday carried on as December liquidation before the first notice day subsided, coincident with letting up in hedge selling. A moderate amount of mill buying and shipper covering against export sales kept prices on an upward slant from start to finish.

Investment buying was attracted on the theory that the technical position had been strengthened following the decline of about \$2.50 per bale from the highs achieved on November 4. The proximity of the market price to the Government loan rate was another supporting factor.

Nothing appeared in the news to influence market sentiment. Outside commodities and securities favoured the upside, but new outside interest in cotton was slow.

Hopes for a barter deal with Communist China were damped by Government sources. A recent trade report said that there was a move afoot to exchange cotton for tungsten, tung oil, bristles and furs. Government sources said that they were unaware of any such move.

While tungsten and bristles are on the list of critically needed materials, they are not being "actively pursued," it was said. No export controls exist to prevent cotton shipments to China, but the whole question of private trade with that country is "under close study" by the State Department, the report said.

The Government weekly crop summary said that the harvesting of the remainder of the crop made rapid progress last week under favourable weather conditions.

Prices opened two to three points higher and edged up to maximum gains of 15 to 25 points, then eased a trifle to close at 10 to 21 points higher.

Closing Prices:

December (in cents) 20.87
May (1950) 20.04
June 20.62
July 20.10
October 20.11
December 27.04 bid
March (1951) 27.01 nominal
November 30.71 nominal
SPOT United Press.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET Closing prices Nov. 22.

December (in cents) 20.03
March (1950) 20.39
May 20.87
October 20.23
December 27.02 bid
March (1951) 27.02 bid
May 29.45
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18 MISSING IN SUPERFORT CRASH



Persia's Shah Wants U.S. Military Aid

New York, Nov. 22.—Shah Reza Pahlevi of Persia declared here last night that his 6,000-year-old kingdom needed American military aid "to assure its survival." Persia would know how to use aid to repel an aggressor, the Shah told the Council of Foreign Relations.

TRIPOLI HAS GENERAL HOLIDAY

Tripoli, Nov. 22.—Tripoli had a general holiday today to celebrate the United Nations decision on Libyin independence. One of the largest Arab processions ever seen here paraded the main streets carrying Sennas flags and singing national songs.

Celebrations were also reported from all provincial towns. Italians observed the holiday, but remained indoors.

The only Italian reaction here came from Dr Enrico Cibelli, president of the Association of Progressive Libya, who issued a manifesto expressing "joy for this great event."

PRESSING TASKS

"I need hardly suggest that the defence of Persia is critical to general strategic considerations affecting the entire Middle East."

This defence was inadequate and Persia lacked assurance of survival.

The Shah said that Persia needed American collaboration in national defence, economic development and in the achievement of social progress based upon increased production and a high standard of living.

Reuter

"We want to work," the Shah said, "with the aid of American engineers and other technical and industrial advisers, for the economic development and general welfare of Persia and a contribution to an improvement in the living standards of the world."

He hoped that the relationship between the two countries, of long standing, was to become "closer than ever."

Declaring that Persia's independence was its most precious possession, the Shah added:

"Should it fall to our lot again in these uncertain times, to face threats to our national independence, to our national life, to our essential way of life, we shall know how to deal with despotism and force as we have dealt with it in other centuries as well as in our own."

In Salerno Province, Italy, the Communists called a general strike in support of peasants who squatted on 7,500 acres, accusing the police of using "violence and arbitrary arrest" to combat them.

Land owners in Apulia stopped work in sympathy with 200 workless peasants cleared by armed police from land in Foggia Province on to which they swarmed demanding jobs.

In Sicily peasants dug themselves in on their newly appropriated land and prepared to face police squads ordered to eject them by force.

Workers in Naples will down tools tomorrow for a one-day protest strike against the dismissal of factory employees during the winter.

Telephone workers are due to strike throughout Italy tomorrow for higher wages.

Some students are striking for more lectures.—Reuter.

Asian Women's Congress

Moscow, Nov. 22.—The Executive Committee of the World Federation of Women, which yesterday concluded a five-day conference, today announced that the Congress of Asian Women would be held at Peking from December 6 to 12.

It said countries participating would be China, Vietnam, Indonesia, Iran, Mongolia, North and South Korea, Japan, Syria and Lebanon, and the Soviet Union's Asiatic republics. In addition, observers from the United States, Britain, France, Holland, Cuba and Czechoslovakia would attend.

Muriel Draper, president of the American Congress of Democratic Women, said Mrs Paul Robeson, Ada Jackson and Elizabeth Millard would represent her organization at Peking.—United Press.

POINT FOUR

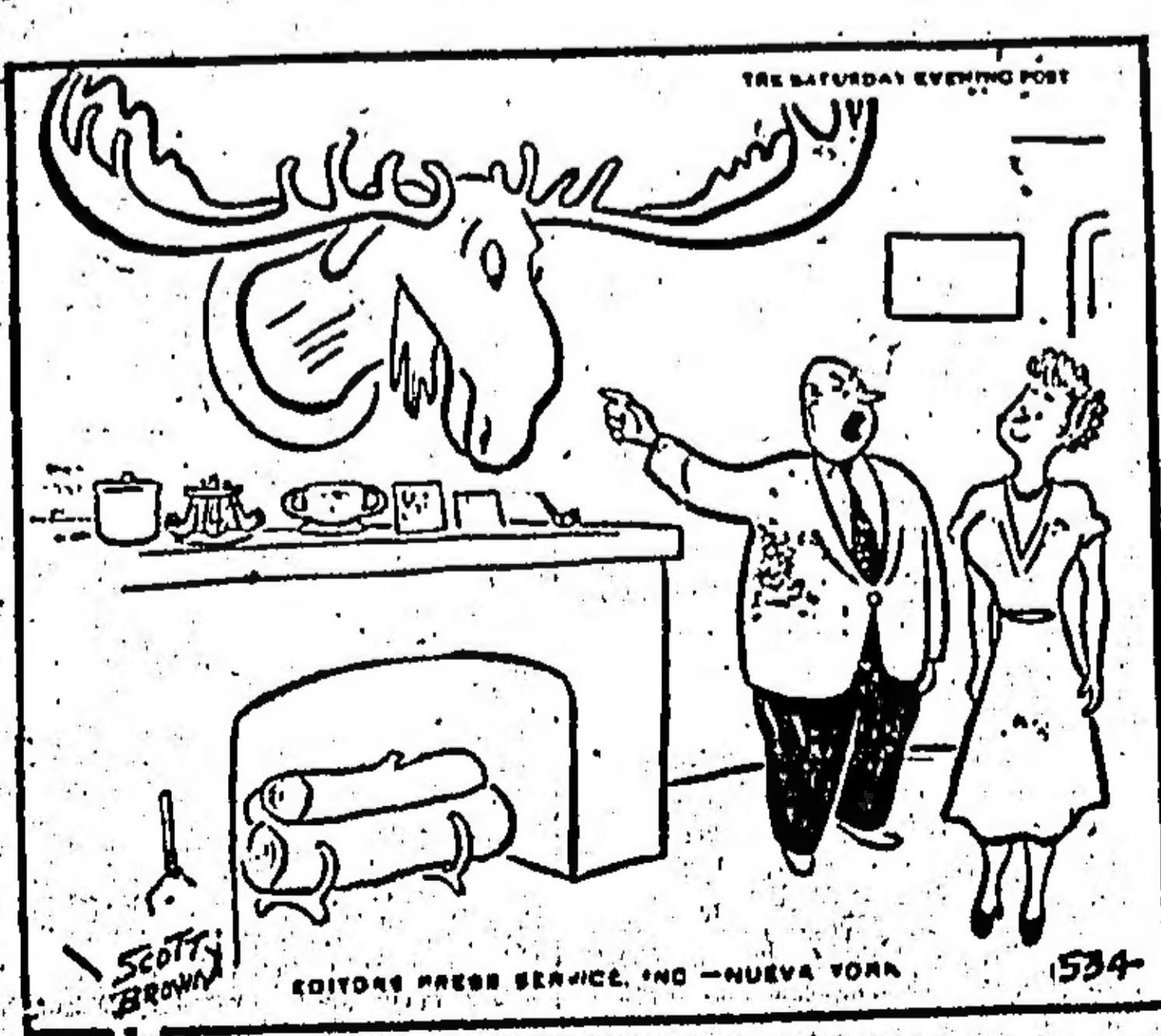
The Shah said that Persia was a land where President Truman's proposals for developing under-developed areas—his "magnificent concept embodied in Point Four of his inaugural

Moon Affects Suicides

Sydney, Nov. 22.—Police sergeant Harry Ware, whose cliff rescue squad has been called out 23 times this year, believes a full moon causes an increase in suicides.

Ware, in charge of the squad since its formation in 1942, says: "The full moon probably turns certain people's minds."

He said his squad averages 18 rescues a year around Sydney's vast harbour and was called out to 23 cliff suicides and accidents this year.—United Press.



"And stop calling that moose my shooting accident!"

Truman's Hope For World Trade Organisation

Washington, Nov. 22.—President Harry Truman expressed the hope today "that an international trade organisation will soon be established to help expand world trade by carrying on a systematic attack on trade barriers."

The President, addressing the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) of the U.N., said:

"As nations regain their productive capacity, destroyed during the war, and as new productive capacity is added by the

growth of under-developed areas, we should find it easier to develop lasting patterns for the international exchange of goods and services."

Mr Truman said that all the work of the U.N. and its associated organisations was important but "none is of more significance than yours. If by working together in this organisation we can create an abundance of food for all countries, we shall bring better health, longer lives and greater happiness to mankind everywhere."

For this reason," Mr Truman went on, "it is most appropriate that the Nobel Peace Prize this year should have been awarded to your former Director-General, Lord Boyd Orr, that great pioneer in international cooperation in food and agriculture.

All Work Stopped In Brunswick

Brunswick, Nov. 22.—Almost the entire working population of Watenstedt Salzgitter, near Brunswick, stopped work today in protest against continued dismantling of the former Hermann Goering Iron and Steel works.

They were supporting 22,000 striking steel workers, and included 7,800 men engaged on dismantling.

Men, women and children thronged the streets for protest meetings against a move "concerning the population to starve."

Municipal offices, shops and schools were closed.

About 85,000 of the town's 120,000 population depend for their livelihood on its steel plant, founded by Goering 11 years ago.

Some 15,000 have already lost their jobs through dismantling and a local labour official declared today that another 7,000 would also soon become unemployed.

OMITTED FROM LIST

The strike, due to end tomorrow, was called after the West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, had announced that the steel works had been omitted from a dismantling list now under review by the three Allied High Commissioners.

Dismantling was believed to have been a main subject of negotiations at Bonn today when Dr Adenauer had a long meeting with the High Commissioners.

German consular and trade missions abroad and relations between the West German Government and foreign diplomatic missions were also believed to have been under discussion.

The negotiations were said to have reached the drafting stage tonight.

A West German Government spokesman said that Dr Adenauer was negotiating "as his own Foreign Minister" with power to conclude an agreement "without needing the approval either of his Cabinet or by Parliament."

The President said that the FAO was "properly concerned," not only with production, but also with distribution of food and agricultural commodities and understood "the imperative necessity that nations work together towards a system of international trade which will contribute to an expanding world economy."

He said that the European programme and international wheat agreements were progressive steps in that direction.

IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS

The President remarked that there is still need for resourceful men in meeting certain immediate problems and added: "I know that at this session the FAO will be considering ways and means of moving temporary surpluses of certain commodities from countries where they are not needed to countries where they are badly needed."

"We pledge ourselves to work wholeheartedly with other members attempting to devise practical and effective methods of solving it."

Referring to the U.S. festival of Thanksgiving, Mr Truman said: "It is one mark of civilisation to be able to produce abundantly but it is a more important mark to be able to use abundance for the welfare of mankind."—Associated Press.

Jaffre had complained to the police that he had heard mysterious knockings, invisible hands had tugged at his daughter's hair and that stones came from nowhere and hit him.

The mother and daughter are to be summoned for creating a mischief.

A local gendarme said: "Jaffre does not seem to be cured. He still believes the house is haunted."—Reuter.

Comet To Fly Atlantic

London, Nov. 22.—The retiring Portuguese Ambassador in London, the Duke of Palmela, called on Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, at the Foreign Office today.

The Duke, who has represented his country in London for the past six years, has resigned his appointment for private reasons and is expected to return to Lisbon within the next fortnight.—Reuter.



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